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HIGHWAYS BEING REPAIRED

Piedmont Open—Appalachian Soon to be Opened—Farm Loan Banks.

Special to The Herald and News.

Columbia, Aug. 13.—For the first time since the recent floods there is a connecting link between the two halves of the State which were completely divided, so far as the public highways are concerned, by the destruction of bridges, the division line running from North Carolina to the coast, through the Catawba, Wateree and Santee basin. In order to cross this line, it has been necessary for the past several weeks to go up into North Carolina to Gastonia, and cross to Charlotte by ferry, and then come down by Lancaster. The connecting link which has now been established, according to a wire received this afternoon by Commissioner E. J. Watson, is the old Gooch ferry, on Catawba river, about seven miles west of Lancaster, which is now in full operation.

The route by Gastonia and Charlotte made the distance from Columbia to Camden 285 miles, instead of 32 via the direct route. The Gooch ferry will save at least one hundred miles. The route by the ferry is to Chester, Richburg, Easleyville, and then across to Lancaster. The road from Chester to Ft. Lawn, Commissioner Watson states, is one of the best in the State.

Commissioner Watson is in close touch with Supervisor West, of Kershaw county, in regard to getting this highway opened at Camden. Under the Federal flood relief Act, road work is provided for, and Major Youngberg, who is representing the Federal government in the distribution of the relief fund, has undertaken to assist Commissioner Watson in establishing a ferry at Camden, and in this manner relieving the congestion of travel matter was taken up several days ago, and it is hoped to have the ferry in operation within the next two weeks. Some time during this week Major Youngberg, United States Engineer Towles, who is in charge of this road, and Commissioner Watson will confer with the county authorities in regard to making the road of a more permanent character.

The cutting of the State in half has caused such an interruption in the transportation of farm products that it is vitally important that some steps for relief be taken as early as possible. The county of Kershaw is left practically helpless. \$50,000 had been spent by the county on the bridge which was destroyed, and a considerable portion of this amount is still owing.

At the point where this bridge was located, there was a considerable bend in the river. During the floods the river completely cut off the bend, and trod the width of its channel. Where the old channel was there is now nothing but backwater, and the approach to the old bridge is now in the middle of the main channel of the river.

In the up-country, the Piedmont highway has been completely reopened, and is in better shape than before the flood. This highway runs to Hendersonville, via Newberry, Laurens and Greenville.

The Appalachian highway is still closed by Spartanburg, but in that county \$1,200 was promptly subscribed and it is hoped by the middle of this week to have it reopened in practically as good condition as before it was damaged.

First National Farm Loan Association

The first National Farm loan association in South Carolina, so far as is known here, to take advantage of the terms of the recent Rural Credits Bill passed by Congress, was organized by Commissioner E. J. Watson, between Dentsville and Pontiac, in the Jackson Creek section of Richland county. The organization has styled itself the Jackson Creek National Loan Association. The Act provides that loans must be arranged through these associations, which must consist of not less than ten prospective borrowers, who desire to secure through the Act not less than \$10,000, representing not more than sixty per cent. of the value of the security, and not

THE FAMILY REUNION OF MRS. SALLIE SHEALY

Mrs. Shealy Eighty-nine Years Old. Six Children, Fifty-seven Grandchildren, One Hundred Six Great Grandchildren Dine Together.

Last Tuesday was indeed a great day for our aged grandmother, Mrs. Sallie Shealy of the old Dutch Fork section of Lexington county, for on that day she had the rare opportunity to see the members of her great family together once more. This is probably one of the largest families in Lexington county and practically every member was present. The day was almost perfect for such an occasion and every one had a jolly good time.

About 9 o'clock members of the family began to gather around the old homestead from nearly every part of Lexington county and many parts of Newberry county. In addition to the family relations Rev. J. J. Long, pastor of the aged mother, and his little son; also Mr. W. S. Lominick of Newberry and Mrs. Mary Wessinger another aged mother of Lexington, were present as visitors to this great reunion.

Our grandmother if permitted by kind providence to see her next birthday will be ninety years old. She is the wife of Daniel Shealy, who being a member of that valiant number that served in the war between the States answered his last roll call six years ago having joined his comrades in the great beyond.

This aged mother has six children living, namely, James E. of Newberry; John C. of Lexington; Mrs. Cephas Sease of Lexington; Pat W. of Newberry; W. Killian of Lexington, and L. Cohen of Lexington, who still resides at the old homestead. She has one son dead, namely, Noah R. who died about fifteen years ago. As her grandchildren she has fifty-seven in number living and three dead. As her great grandchildren, she has 106 living and 11 dead. The entire family, therefore, numbers 164 living members including grandmother.

What marked the occasion most strikingly was the opportunity for all members to again dine together. The table was located in a beautiful grove in front of the home and all enjoyed the opportunity of eating one of those good dinners prepared by the good ladies of the family. The table was bountifully spread.

Rev. Long made a short address just before dinner which was another great feature of the occasion. In his address Pastor Long stated that no hoped kind providence would permit this aged mother to celebrate her 100th birthday.

After a day of pleasant conversation the members of the family departed to their homes, only hoping that they may again have the privilege to celebrate there again at a later date.

A Grandchild.

Probably not more than 50 per cent.

The Southern Commercial Congress.

The executive officers of the Southern Commercial Congress, given authority at the seventh annual meeting in Charleston, have selected Norfolk, Va., as the place to hold the eighth congress. Dec. 11-14 has been fixed as the time.

The theme of the Congress, according to a letter received by Commissioner E. J. Watson from Managing Director Clarence J. Owens, will be, "The Changed Outlook" produced by the European war, and the program will look towards interpreting the relation of the South in particular and the United States in general to the new conditions. "In view of the vital issues involved," says Mr. Owens, "it is expected that the Congress will be largely attended, and a certain definite program evolved with which to meet the new conditions that will surely follow the close of the European war."

Plant Breeders Association.

Carolina Plant Breeders Association will be held at Hartsville, S. C., August 30 and 31. Mr. H. W. Barre, Secretary, in a letter to Commissioner E. J. Watson, says that the executive committee and officers of the

OLD FOLKS' DAY AT ST. PAULS NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

Dinner on the Grounds—Barbecue on Thursday at Joy Street Proper Good Dinner to be Served.

Special to The Herald and News.

Pomaria, Aug. 14.—The annual Old Folks Day will be observed at St. Paul Sunday, August 29. It has been the custom for the past several years to look forward to the third Sunday in August as a day in which the congregation will devote their time and service to the pleasure of the older people who attend these services. The sermon for the old folks will be delivered by Rev. S. P. Koon of Silver Street. In the afternoon the Rev. E. F. Roof Ehrhardt will deliver an address to the young people. Dinner will be served in the grove with plenty of ice water to drink and the older people who do not care to go to the church in the afternoon will have the pleasure of remaining in the grove while the address is being made to the young people by Rev. Mr. Roof. Everybody is invited to bring well filled baskets and spend the day and help make it a day of enjoyment for the old folks.

Mr. John D. Slippy has gone to Greenwood to visit relatives.

Mr. L. A. Shealy and family spent the week-end in Columbia making a trip in Mr. Shealy's car.

Mr. and Mrs. G. A. C. Wicker and Mr. Ernest Wicker went to Columbia Saturday returning Sunday in Mr. G. C. Wicker's car.

Dr. Roy J. Johnson and Mr. W. R. Counts left Sunday for the mountains of North Carolina. They are traveling in an auto.

Mr. E. H. Seckinger of Rankin, Ga. is the guest of Prof. Thomas Barber.

Mr. Willie Metts of Columbia is visiting his brother, Mr. S. R. Metts.

Mr. Elford Livingston and family of Newberry are visiting his father, Mr. J. B. Livingston.

Mrs. Laura Sease of Cumberland, Md., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Laura Koon.

Miss Louise Richardson of Mountville is visiting at Dr. Roy J. Johnson's.

Mrs. Minnie Setzler of Union is visiting at the home of Mr. B. B. Rikard. Mr. Arthur Shealy and children of Ninety-Six are visiting her mother, Mrs. H. P. Wedeman.

Miss Ola Mae Miller of Saluda is visiting at Mr. C. B. Eargle's.

Misses Ida Novice and Tommie Setzler spent the week-end with Mr. F. H. Werts and family in the Jolly Street community.

Mr. S. R. Metts recently returned from a trip to Knoxville, Tenn., where he spent several days with his brother, Mr. Clifford Metts, formerly of this State and a son of Capt. W. G. Metts.

Mr. Thomas A. Epting and family motored to Columbia Sunday.

The barbecue at St. Phillips Thursday was a good one. A large crowd was present. A most delicious dinner was served by the good ladies of the school improvement association. This is one of the most progressive communities in the county, surrounded by fine farms, mostly worked by white people. They now have a fine and up-to-date church almost completed and good new and up to date rural graded school and with this spirit of progress, no one could help but predict a bright future for such a community.

The people are looking forward to Thursday, the day of the barbecue at the old Singly place (Jolly Street), to be given by Mr. C. Howell Buff and Mr. H. F. Counts.

The county chairman is doing some fine work on the Buncombe road which was very much needed.

J. W. R.

association feel that Hartsville is an ideal place for the meeting, as it will give the members of the association and their friends the opportunity to see at first hand the excellent breeding work of the Piedmont Seed company, and the work of individual plant breeders in the vicinity. The program will include speakers from North Carolina and Georgia, in addition to this State.

Geo. K. Aull

THE NEWS OF PROSPERITY.

Sunday School Suspends During August—Rev. G. C. Leonard to Lecture.

Special to The Herald and News.

Prosperity, August 14.—Messrs. A. B. and George Wise left Saturday for Ridgeland to join their brother, J. P. Wise, who gives a fishing party in their honor this week at Robin hall.

Mr. Raymond Caldwell of Newberry spent the week-end at home.

Mr. S. B. Bowers leaves today for Greenville.

Miss Victoria Crosson has returned from a week's stay in Leesville.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Shealy and children, Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Harrison motored Sunday to Epworth where they spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. W. P. B. Harison.

Prof. John Taylor has returned from a few days' stay in Batesburg.

Miss Willie Mae Wise will spend the week-end in Saluda.

Mr. W. J. Wise has been visiting in Ir.

Mr. A. H. Hawkins spent last week at the State farms in the lower part of the State. He reports the damage done by the high waters enormous.

Mrs. J. L. Wise and Miss Nellie are spending the week in Batesburg.

Misses Mabel and Ruby Taylor of Greenwood have been visiting Mrs. H. P. Wicker.

Mrs. J. A. Counts is in Columbia, the guest of Mrs. Ben Wheeler.

Mrs. E. P. Taylor and Miss Mary Hunt are spending a while in Batesburg.

Mr. L. A. Black leaves Wednesday for the northern markets. He will be joined in Virginia by Mrs. Black who will make the trip with him.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Bedenbaugh have returned home after a visit to Mrs. J. M. Werts.

On account of the spread of infantile paralysis in the State Grace Lutheran Sunday school has decided to disband during the month of August. There are no cases reported in this section but this action was taken as a precautionary measure. In view of the fact that the state board of health has seen proper to instruct ticket agents to refuse to sell tickets to children under 15 years of age without a health certificate it will be wise for all parents to cooperate with the authorities in preventing the spread of this disease by keeping their children at home as much as possible.

Rev. G. C. Leonard returned missionary from Africa will deliver a lecture in Grace church Sunday morning, August 20.

Miss Pearl Wheeler has returned from an extended visit to her sister, Mrs. Marks Simmon of Charlotte.

Mrs. O. B. Simpson leaves Tuesday for a visit to her mother in Salisbury, Md.

Misses Ethel Counts and Grace Burton Reagan have gone to Washington, Baltimore and New York on a sight seeing trip.

Dr. G. Y. Hunter, president State Live Stock association, leaves today for Shreveport, La., to attend the national Live Stock association.

Mr. T. M. Mills will spend Wednesday and Thursday in Saluda assisting in a short course.

Mr. L. J. Eellers of Whasboro is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Eellers.

Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Hunt of Saluda spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Schumpert.

Miss Juliet Setzler of Pomaria is visiting at the home of Mr. T. M. Mills.

Miss Pansy Wallace leaves Wednesday for her home in Piedmont, Ala., after an extended visit to her sister Mrs. G. W. Harmon.

Misses Aull and Cannon of Columbia are guests of Miss Ellen Werts.

Misses Ruby Russell and Maude Hopkins leave today for Hendersonville after a visit to Mrs. J. L. Wheeler.

Mr. L. C. Schumpert has returned to Savannah after spending a few days here, with his family who are visiting at the home of his father, Mr. B. B. Schumpert.

Mrs. Jake Wheeler of Columbia is visiting Miss Gertrude Robb.

Mrs. J. D. Bowles of Greenwood is the guest of Miss Anna Ballers.

Messrs. Self and Hugh and Miss

CANDIDATES PAY TRIBUTE TO LIFE JOHN L. EPPS

Meeting Held in Court House—Resolutions Adopted—Beautiful Tributes to Mr. Epps.

Soon after the announcement on the streets on Friday morning of the death of Mr. John L. Epps, the county treasurer and a candidate for reelection, it was understood that there would be no political meeting held in the court house as scheduled. The time for the meeting was 11 o'clock and when Chairman F. R. Hunter called the meeting to order there were several candidates present and a few citizens. Soon, however, a good many persons came in and they took part in the proceedings.

Mr. E. H. Aull who was the first speaker on the regular program for Friday morning arose and said that the campaign party during the summer had been like one big family, as it were, and while the hand of affliction had been laid on one of the members so that he had not been able to attend any of the meetings, the members of the party regarded him very highly, and as a true and tried friend, and now that he had passed to the happy hunting grounds of the great beyond, he, Mr. Aull, said he would ask the privilege of offering the following resolutions for the consideration of the other members of the family, and move their adoption:

"Between two worlds life hovers like a star.
Twixt night and morn, upon the horizon's verge,
How little do we know that which we are.
How less what we may be the eternal surge
Of time and tide rolls on, and bears afar
Our bubbles; as the old burst, new emerge
Lashed from the foam of ages; while the graves
Of empires heave but life some passing wave."

It is but natural that we should stand in awe and pause and think and consider in the presence of the great enemy of man—Death.

But—
"That man lives greatly,
Whatever his fate, or fame, who greatly dies;"

And that man greatly dies who can—
—sustained and soothed
By an unflinching trust, approach thy grave.
Like one who draws the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

In the death of our fellow citizen, John L. Epps, we can say that he has drawn the drapery of his couch about him and lain down to pleasant dreams. We can also say that he was a Christian gentleman, and no higher word of praise could be said of any one. He was a devoted churchman, a loving father, a faithful and efficient public servant, conscientious and painstaking in the discharge of his official duties.

Resolved, That in his death we, his comrades, feel the loss of a faithful and true friend, and that we extend to his family our sincere sympathy in the personal loss and bereavement which have come to them in his taking off. We have missed his presence from the meetings throughout the

Rose Crosson of Leesville spent Friday with Mr. John Crosson.

Dr. and Mrs. A. L. Black and Mr. Knight of Bowman are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Black.

Mr. D. B. Miller of Columbia spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. J. S. Wheeler.

Mrs. H. J. Rawl has returned from a month's stay at her home in Scotland Neck, N. C.

Miss Vannie Lake of Little Mount has been visiting her sister, Miss Lucy Lake.

Mrs. J. A. Price is spending the week in Saluda.

county during the present summer.

Resolved, That out of respect for his memory we ask that the meeting scheduled to be held this day at Newberry be called off.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be engrossed by the County chairman and sent to his family.

The resolutions were heartily seconded by Sheriff Cannon G. Blease. Touching and beautiful tributes were then paid to the life and character of Mr. Jno. L. Epps by Alan Johnstone, F. W. Higgins, J. S. Wheeler, Geo. S. Mower, N. W. Workman, J. C. Sample, H. H. Rikard, W. E. Pelham, J. C. Goggans.

The resolutions were then adopted by a rising vote and the meeting adjourned.

The meeting announced for the Mollohon mill was also called off. It will probably be held some evening this week or next. There will be no meeting at the court house except the one at West End.

NEWS OF EXCELSIOR.

Annual Picnic at Mt. Pilgrim—Mr. J. A. C. Kibler is Smiling—Death of Mr. Isaiah Shealy.

Special to The Herald and News.

Excelsior, Aug. 14.—Mr. R. O. Counts of Columbia has been on a visit to his father's family, Mr. A. M. Counts.

(Mrs. Leland Schumpert has been on a visit to Mr. A. A. Nates family.

Fodder pulling is in order this week. A good many report cotton opening.

Mrs. Jas. D. Kinard and Little daughter, Miss Mazie, of Greenwood have been on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Kinard.

Mr. R. D. Kinard and family of Lexington county have been on a visit to Mr. G. W. Cromer's family.

Mr. Pilgrim will have their annual Sunday School picnic next Friday the 19th. Mr. P. O. Lovelace superintendent of the school will do all in his power to make the day pleasant and enjoyable. A few invited speakers will make addresses, and the public is cordially invited to come and bring well filled baskets and enjoy the day.

The Rev. J. M. White will preach in the school building next Sunday evening at 8 o'clock. Public cordially invited out to the service.

Mrs. Willie Blanton and children of Orangeburg came up on Monday to visit her father's family, Mr. A. A. Nates.

Mr. J. A. C. Kibler is smiling this week because it is a little better. The Misses Neg of Newberry have been on a visit to Miss Laura Nates, to learn of the death of Mr. Isaiah Shealy. In his death the community has lost a good citizen and the church a good worker.

OPEN BOLLS FROM NO. 9.

The Herald and News, Newberry, S. C.

Gentlemen:

I am sending in my first open cotton boll, although there may be others ahead. It is of the improved King variety grown on my field in lower No. 9.

I am yours very truly,

Jerome H. Morris.

JOHN D. FROST APPOINTED ASSISTANT ADJUTANT GEN.

Special to The Herald and News.

Columbia, Aug. 13.—Major D. Frost, of Columbia, was today appointed assistant adjutant general by Governor Manning, upon request of Adjutant General Moore. Major Frost succeeds Major J. Chapter Caldwell, who tendered his resignation effective August 1st, following a rupture with the adjutant general as a result of which each issued a statement in criticism of the other. Major Caldwell's resignation was accepted by the governor today.

Major Frost was assistant adjutant general during the administration of Governor McSweeney, and was later elected adjutant general, serving two terms.

Lieutenant Sam McP. Brown, of Orangeburg, who has been in the medical reserve corps, was today assigned to the field hospital now in service on the Mexican border.

Jno. K. Aull.